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**HERSETH                      SANDLIN SUPPORTS CRITICAL FUNDING FOR RURAL SCHOOLS**

## **Bill Funds Education Needs for Black Hills School Districts Facing Funding**

**June 5, 2008, Washington D.C. -**



Today, Rep. Herse

Under the Secure Rural Schools program originally enacted in 2000, federal

Rep. Herseth Sandlin said “Rural school districts around the Black Hills are

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Failure to reauthorize the Secure Rural Schools program would result in the

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Custer School

District funding would be reduced from approximately \$310,0

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Hill City School

Districts payments would be reduced from approximately \$5

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Lead-Deadwood                      School District would be reduced from approximately \$319

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Elk Mountain                      would be reduced from approximately \$195,000 to \$62,000



Spearfish received

approximately \$88,000 this school year but budgeted for

Nationally, failure to reauthorize Secure Rural Schools affects 40 states with nation

Today's bill received a majority of votes in the U.S. House, but not the two-t

The legislation considered today was paid for with a royalty relief reform pro

To see a video of Rep. Herseth Sandlin speaking in favor of the legislation

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*Congresswoman Stephanie Herseth Sandlin serves South Dakota in the U.S. House of Representatives*